

## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

### **Sallie McDonald**



Sallie McDonald is a Senior Executive within the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS), Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection Directorate (IAIP). She is currently working with other officials within the department to define the directorate's roles and responsibilities. The IAIP, in coordination with federal, state, local, private, and international entities, integrates and assesses terrorist threat information, and catalogs and assesses the vulnerabilities of our Nation's critical infrastructures, mapping threats against vulnerabilities and consequences.

She is also responsible for the Federal Computer Incident Response Center (FedCIRC) which on March 1, 2003, was transferred to DHS from the General Services Administration. FedCIRC is the Federal Government's focal point for computer security incident recognition, reporting, handling and prevention. Sallie is an active participant in the Cyber Security community at the highest levels of government and has participated in the evolving face of Critical Infrastructure Protection. She has testified on cyber security issues numerous times to both the Senate and the House. She also serves on the National Institute of Standards and Technology's, Information Security and Privacy Advisory Board, which examines issues affecting the security and privacy of sensitive (unclassified) information in federal computer and telecommunications systems.

While at GSA she spearheaded programs such as Safeguard, Access Certificates for Electronic Services (ACES) and Managed Security Services. She also led the National effort for the Y2K Information Coordination Center. One of Sallie's main goals is to enhance the capabilities of the FedCIRC program and to build relationships with other agencies to promote the importance of protecting our nation's critical infrastructures.

Sallie worked at GSA from 1977 until her recent transfer to DHS. She began her career in the telecommunications area where she served in a variety of technical and management positions.

Sallie is a graduate of Harvard's Senior Executive Fellows Program and the Federal Executive Institute. Sallie attended the University of Miami and received a Master of Public Administration from American University. She resides in Washington DC.